1. After reading the passage entitled Earth’s Place in the Universe, do you have any questions or comments?
2. Are you connected to the Universe and everything else in it? How?
3. Does it seem like the Universe is becoming more or less organized with time? Create a graph (X, Y axis, etc.) which depicts your thoughts.
4. How do you think ancient people interpreted what they observed in the sky at night?
5. Study Figure 4 again – what was the Universe like 11.5 billion years ago?
6. What do you think caused the huge explosion which sent all of the universe’s matter flying outward? Write down your thoughts, and then do some research to find possible explanations of the Big Bang. Compare your thoughts with the explanations you find – were they close?